

REMARKS

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4, 6, 8-10, and 13 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as anticipated by Lin, U.S. Patent 6,651,225 (hereinafter Lin). The Examiner has rejected Claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Lin. The Examiner has indicated that claims 7, 11, and 12 cover patentable material, although he has objected to these claims as dependent on a rejected base claim. The Examiner has indicated that claims 14-18 are allowable.

THE AMENDED CLAIMS

Claims 1-6, 8-10, and 13 are cancelled.

Former dependent claims 7, 11, and 12 have been rewritten in independent form, including all elements of their parent claims.

CONCLUSION

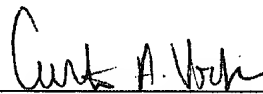
The examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the application as amended. Applicant believes that the amendments place the application into condition for allowance.

The \$200 fee for one new independent claims should be charged to Deposit Account No. 08-2025. Applicants believe no other fees are currently due, however, if any fee is deemed necessary in connection with this Amendment and Response, please charge Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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